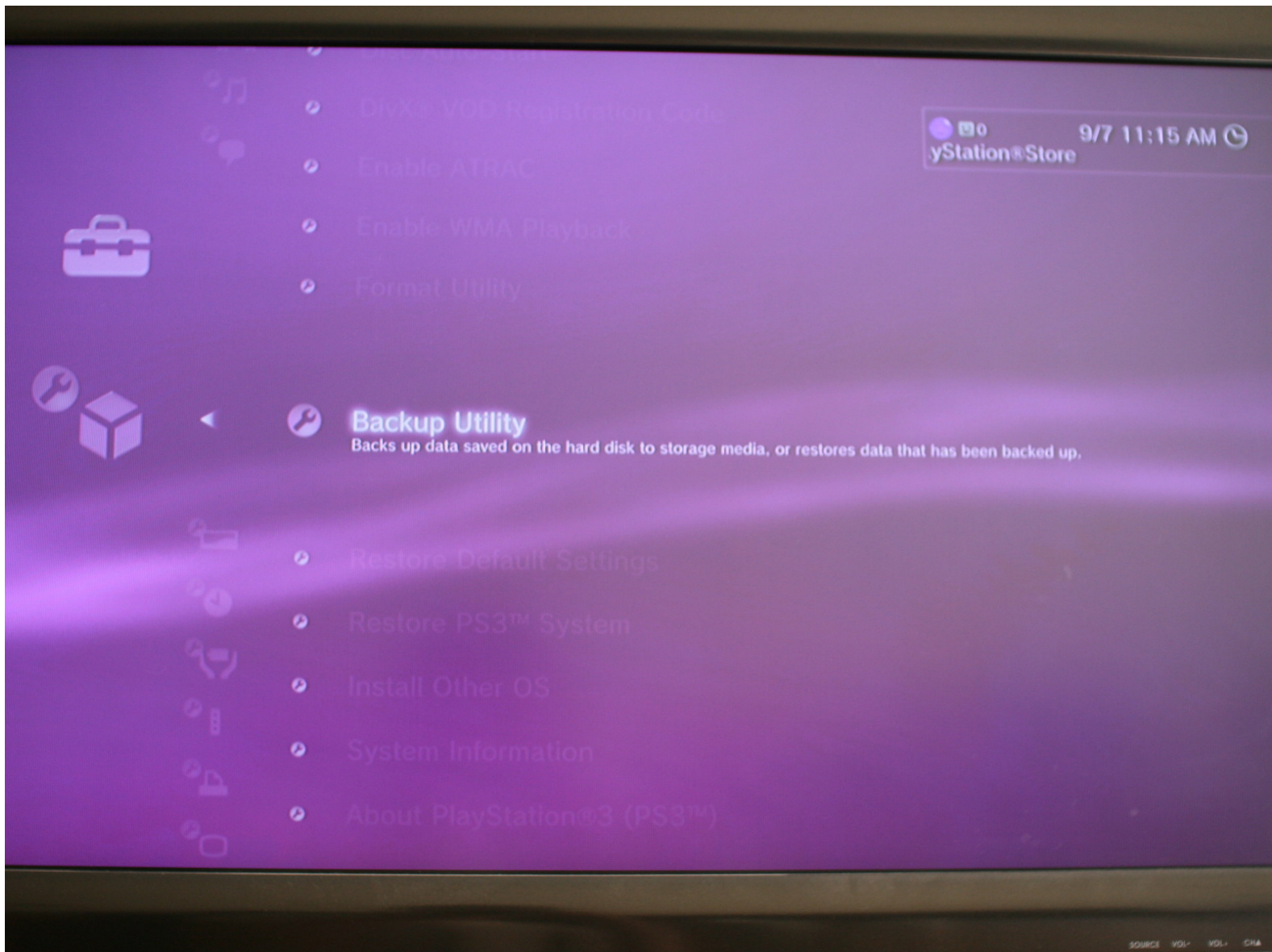




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## INTRODUCTION

Backup your current data before installing a new hard drive.

## Step 1 — Hard Drive



- Locate the hard drive bay cover on the side of the PS3.

## Step 2



- Remove the cover with a spudger.

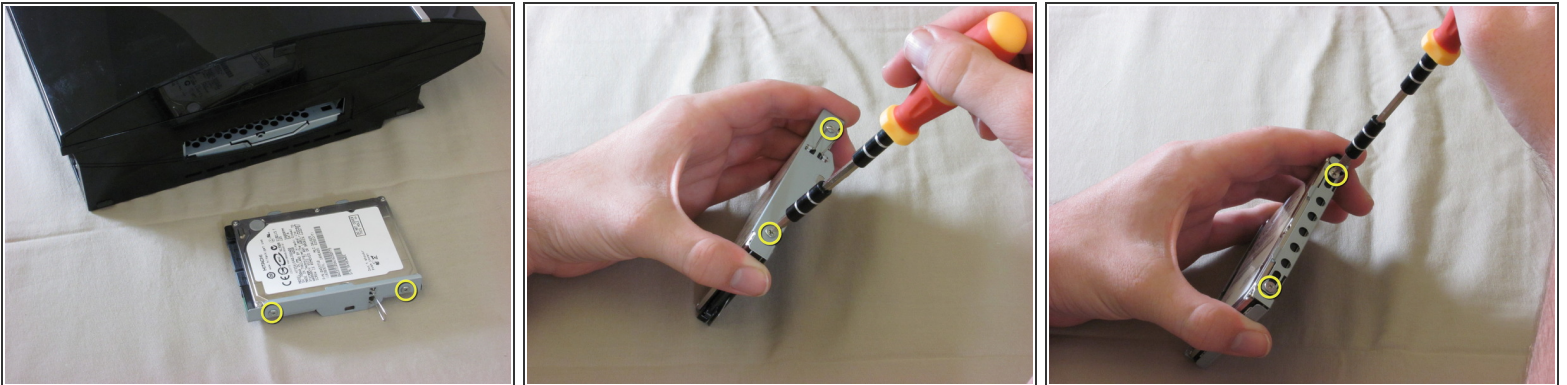


## Step 3



- Lift the metal tab on the hard drive enclosure.
- Pull the tab to slide the hard drive enclosure to the right.
- Pull the hard drive enclosure out of the PS3.

## Step 4



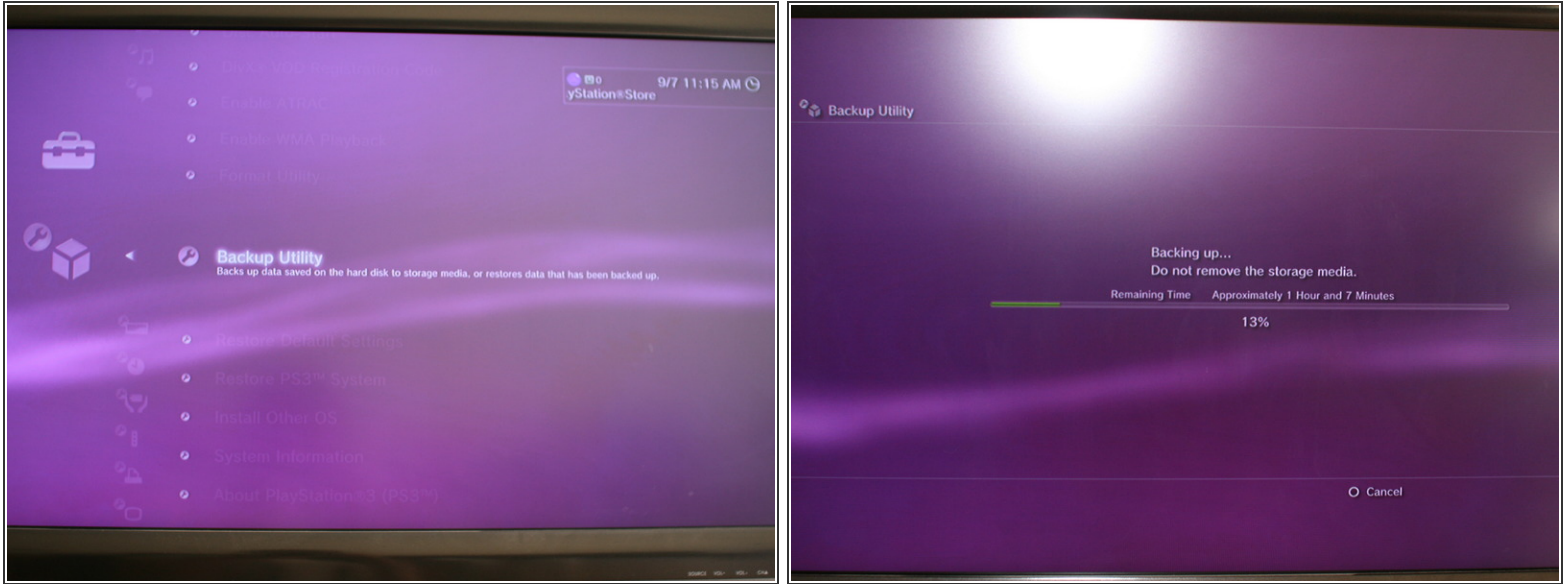
- There are four screws on the side of the hard drive enclosure.
  - ⓘ Two of the screws are shown here. The other two are on the opposite side.
  - ⚠ The screws are very tight. Be careful not to strip them!
- Remove the two screws on one side of the hard drive enclosure with a Phillips #1 screwdriver.
- Flip over the hard drive enclosure and remove the remaining two screws on the other side.

## Step 5



- Carefully slide the hard drive out of the metal enclosure.
- ⓘ Note the orientation of the hard drive when sliding it out of the enclosure.

## Step 6 — Hard Drive Backup



- i** If you need to backup the data on your current hard drive, follow the instructions in this step. Otherwise, continue to the next step.
- On a Windows/OS X/Linux machine, format an external USB hard drive (with enough space available to backup your current hard content) into the FAT32 file system.
  - ★** Make sure it's formatted FAT32. The Playstation 3 backup utility will not recognize any other file system.
  - Connect your formatted hard drive to the Playstation 3 through a USB port and power the console up.
  - Navigate the XMB to the 'Settings' menu and select 'System Settings'
  - Select the 'Backup Utility' function to create a backup of your data - this can take up to 2 hours if you have a lot of data on the PS3.

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